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In re Application of
TAKENDAKA et al.
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DECISION

This decision is in response to applicants' "Petition under 37 CFR 1.182 Requesting Recognition of Correction of Inventor's Name" filed in the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on 04 March 2005. Applicants are requesting to change the name of the third inventor from Kouzou Yamaguchi to Kozo Yamaguchi. The \$400 petition fee has been submitted.

DISCUSSION

The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure at § 605.04(c) requires in instances where an inventor has changed his or her name after the application has been filed to submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182. The petition must include (1) the appropriate petition fee and (2) an affidavit signed with both names setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order. The petition has been reviewed and is approved. The declaration submitted on 05 November 2004 is accepted.

CONCLUSION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the inventor's name from Kouzou Yamaguchi to KOZO Yamaguchi is **GRANTED**. This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for continued national stage processing

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